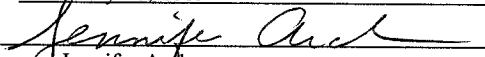


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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed August 28, 2008, Applicants hereby elect with traverse the species of SEQ ID NO: 23 (Ras-Gap; AagatgaagccactccctatttCAAGAGAAaatagggagtggcttcattt). Currently, all of the pending claims are believed to read on the elected species.

### **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

### **ADDITIONAL FEE**

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